

VICTORY CORPS AT WAR

76th Army Band



The deployment of V Corps' 76th Army Band in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom rotation 05-07 marked the unit's second yearlong tour in Iraq. Under the direction of commander Chief Warrant Officer 2 Daryl Vail and 1st Sgt. Kevin Miley, the band supported troops throughout the OIF theater during 2006, performing in venues across Iraq, as well as in Kuwait and Qatar. The "musician-warriors" of the 76th performed more than 300 wartime missions over the course of their long deployment, bringing music and a morale boost to over 50,000 American Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines, as well as members of other forces in the 29-nation OIF coalition. More than a military marching band, the members of the 76th performed as a ceremonial band for official functions, but also showcased their versatility in a variety of different styles by several musical groups drawn from the overall band, including a rock and roll band and a jazz combo. ■

